

## QUEERUPTION

is a free DIY radical queer gathering that has so far happened in London, New York, San Francisco, and Berlin. Every Queeruption is a little different from the last one, shaped by the people who plan it, the community that makes it happen, and the possibilities of each new location.

In some of its previous incarnations, **QUEERUPTION** has been dubbed a radical queer encuentro (New York, 1999), an explosion of sex and politics (London, 2002), and a great queer camping trip (Berlin, 2003).

Past **QUEERUPTION**s have included shared vegan meals, political discussions, direct actions, skills workshops, bands, spoken word, dressup and cabaret, dance parties, film screenings, radical sex, spontaneous haircuts, and more.

The first **QUEERUPTION** happened in the Spring of 1998, when about a hundred queers spent a weekend together in a squatted building in South London. The goal of the organizers was to make a politically inspiring and educational gathering that was open to all, and was about us all taking initiative, creating and participating, instead of just consuming a lifestyle sold to us.

Since then, **QUEERUPTION** gatherings have happened in New York, San Francisco, London again, and Berlin. In London and Berlin, Queeruption took place in a single location where everyone who wanted to could live together communally.

In San Francisco and New York, the gathering was spread throughout the city space, with events, meals, and accommodation in different locations. In London it was possible to squat a building, use it for one week, and then exit, leaving it once again an anonymous, unused space.

In New York and San Francisco, queeruptors were welcomed into a variety of venues, including warehouse collectives, clubs, art galleries, infoshops, an alternative college campus, and individual homes. In Berlin, the political crackdown on squatting made it impossible to house everyone together centrally, so the gathering was held outside of the city on squatted land.



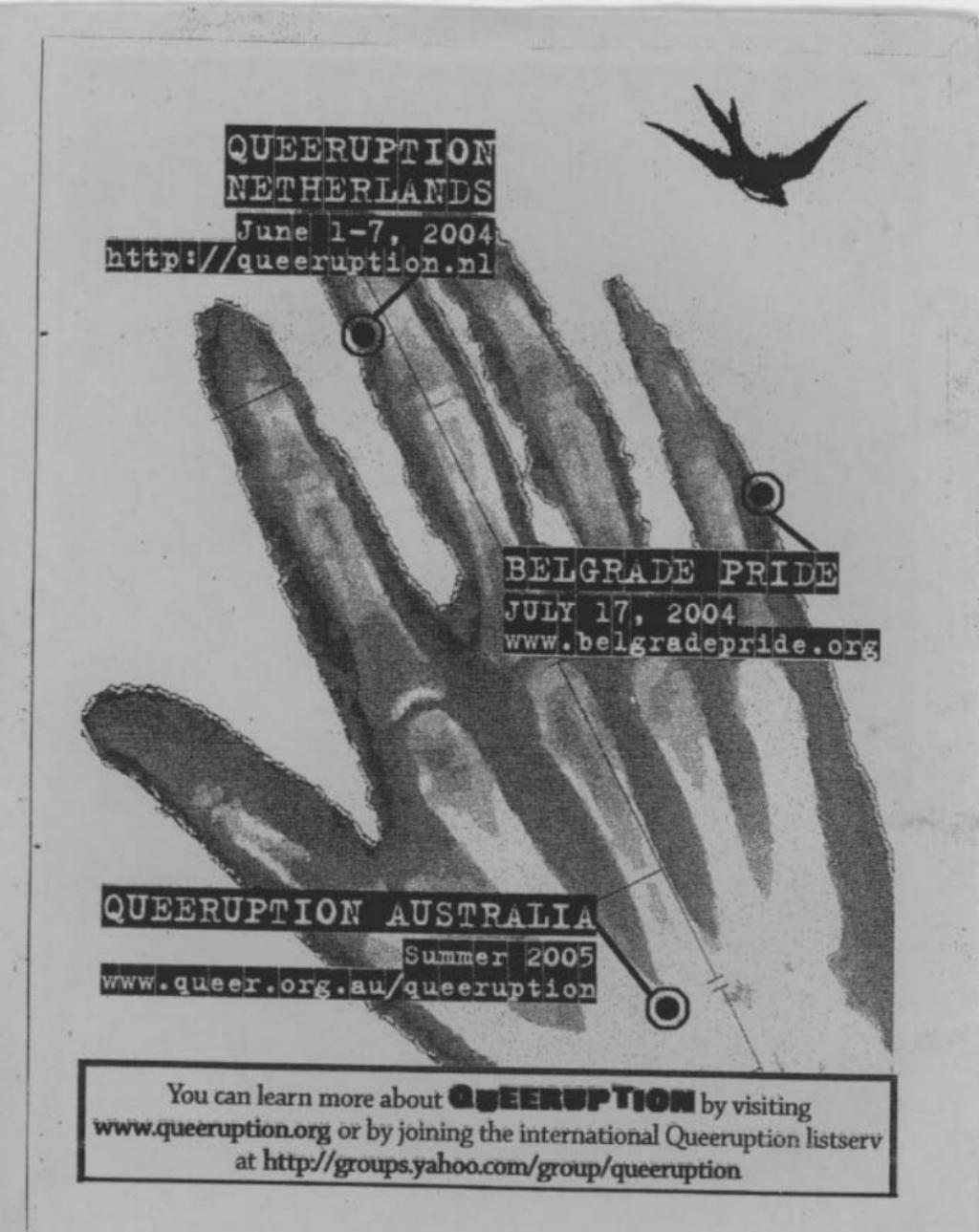
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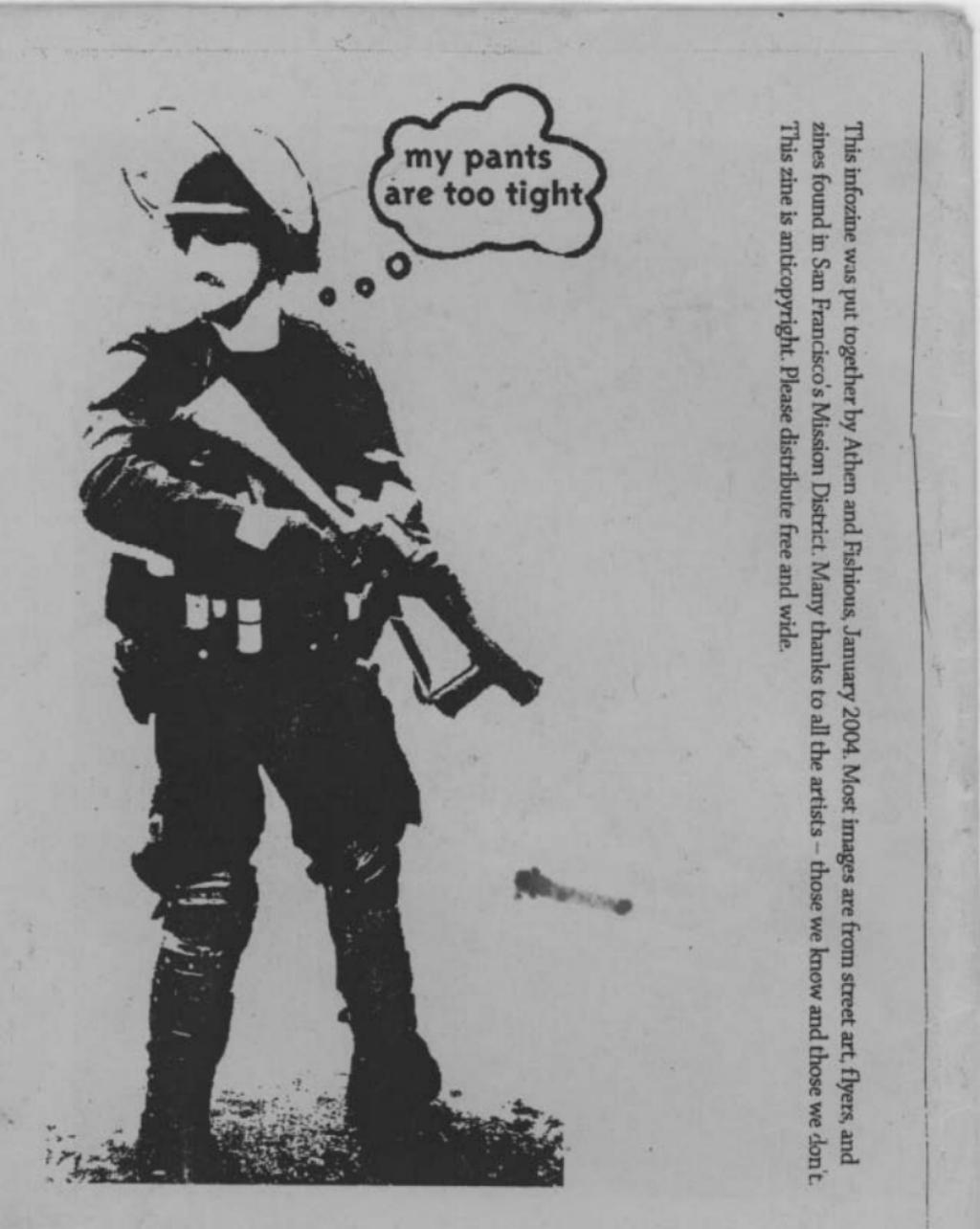
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at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/queeruption>



The next planning meeting for upcoming Bay Area Queeruption  
benefits is ~~January~~ 7pm at City Blend Cafe (16th and  
Valencia in the Mission District, SF). All are welcome!!!



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